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Status

1)☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on *22 July 2008*.

2a)☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b)☐ This action is non-final.

3)☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

4)☒ Claim(s) *1-50* is/are pending in the application.

4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

5)☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

6)☒ Claim(s) *1-50* is/are rejected.

7)☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

8)☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

10)☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a)☐ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.

Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).

Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

11)☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

12)☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

a)☐ All b)☐ Some * c)☐ None of:

1.☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

2.☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.

3.☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
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5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 7/22/2008 has been entered. Claims 1-50 are pending in this Office action.

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-50 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

The new ground rejection is addressed below.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

> (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. Claims 1-6, 8, 12-14, 16-17, 19, 23-28, 30, 34-36, 38-39, and 41, 45-46, 47-50 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over by Kim et al. (US 6219374) in view of Felgentreff (US 2002/0131522), and Kwon et al (US. 2008/0043683) .

Regarding claim 1, Kim discloses a transmitter operable to communicate with a receiver via a wireless communication channel, wherein the transmitter comprises: a processing subsystem (figure 1); and a transmitter subsystem coupled to the processing subsystem (figure 1); wherein the processing subsystem is configured to cover different portions of an initial data stream, each portion comprising an I/Q pair of modulated symbols to be transmitted on a first wireless communication channel with at least two different spreading codes (figure 1, col. 3 lines 26-49); and wherein the transmitter subsystem is configured to transmit a resulting final data stream on a first wireless communication channel (figure 1, col. 3 lines 26-49). Kim fails to disclose that each spreading code covers each I/Q pairs.

Felgentreff discloses spreading code covering each I/Q pairs as shown in Figure 3 comprising a first I/Q modulator 35 and a second I/Q modulator 36 ([0050]). It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to utilize the dual I/Q modulators as taught by Felgentreff into the teachings of Kim for modulating data signals. The motivation would compensate the pre-distortion signal as illustrated by Felgentreff see [0048].

Kim and Felgentreff fail to disclose each portion of being a different quantity of modulated symbols.

Kwon et al disclose each portion of being a different quantity of modulated symbols (as shown in Figure 1. Kwon et al illustrates that Walsh cover section 103 uses a Walsh code “111” When the subpacket length is 2 slots, the Walsh cover

section 103 uses a Walsh code `1-1 1-1` in Walsh covering the modulated symols from the QPSK modulator 102. When the subpacket length is 4 slots, the Walsh cover section 103 uses a Walsh code `1 1-1-1`. When the subpacket length is 8 slots, the Walsh cover section 103 uses a Walsh code `1-1-1 1`. Table 1 shows only one kind of possible mappings between the subpacket lengths and the Walsh code. There are other possible mappings between the subpacket lengths and the Walsh code. Therefore, it is clear that the portion of an initial data stream is a different quantity of modulated symbols). It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modulate the portions of the initial data stream with a different quality of modulated symbols as taught by Kwon et al into the teachings of Kim et al and Felgentreff. The motivation would enable to transmit data with a high-speed packet transmission.

Regarding claim 2, Kim further discloses the processing subsystem comprises a demultiplexer configured to demultiplex the initial data stream into a plurality of intermediate data streams (figure 1, col. 3 lines 26-49; where element 101 is being interpreted as a demultiplexer).

Regarding claim 3, Kim further discloses the processing subsystem is configured to cover each of the plurality of intermediate data streams with one of a set of spreading codes, wherein the set of spreading codes includes the at least two different spreading codes (figure 1, col. 3 lines 26-49).

Regarding claim 4, Kim further discloses the processing subsystem is configured to multiplex the plurality of intermediate data streams into the final data stream (figure 1,

col. 3 lines 26-49; where the connection proceeding elements 110 and 111 and preceding element 112 is being interpreted as multiplex).

Regarding claim 5, Kim further discloses the spreading codes are different-length spreading codes (figure 1, col. 3 lines 26 - 49; where it is well known in the art that different spreading factors means different code lengths).

Regarding claim 6, Kim further discloses the spreading codes are Walsh codes (figure 1, col. 3 lines 26-49).

Regarding claim 8, Kim further discloses the initial data stream comprises a stream of symbols (figure 1, col. 3 lines 26-49).

Regarding claim 12, Kim discloses a receiver operable to communicate with a transmitter via a wireless communication channel, wherein the receiver comprises: a processing subsystem (figures 1, 3); and a receiver subsystem coupled to the processing subsystem (figures 1, 3); wherein the receiver subsystem is configured to receive an initial data stream via a first wireless communication channel (figures 1, 3, col. 4 lines 10-64); and wherein the processing subsystem is configured to decode different portions of an initial data stream, each portion comprising an I/Q pair of modulated symbols using at least two different spreading codes (figures 1, 3, col. 4 lines 10-64). Kim fails to disclose each portion of being a different quantity of modulated symbols.

Kwon et al disclose each portion of being a different quantity of modulated symbols (as shown in Figure 1. Kwon et al illustrates that Walsh cover section 103

uses a Walsh code “111” When the subpacket length is 2 slots, the Walsh cover section 103 uses a Walsh code `1-1 1-1` in Walsh covering the modulated symols from the QPSK modulator 102. When the subpacket length is 4 slots, the Walsh cover section 103 uses a Walsh code `1 1-1-1`. When the subpacket length is 8 slots, the Walsh cover section 103 uses a Walsh code `1-1-1 1`. Table 1 shows only one kind of possible mappings between the subpacket lengths and the Walsh code. There are other possible mappings between the subpacket lengths and the Walsh code. Therefore, it is clear that the portion of an initial data stream is a different quantity of modulated symbols). It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modulate the portions of the initial data stream with a different quality of modulated symbols as taught by Kwon et al into the teachings of Kim et al and Felgentreff. The motivation would enable to transmit data with a high-speed packet transmission.

Regarding claim 13, Kim further discloses wherein the processing subsystem comprises a demultiplexer configured to demultiplex the initial data stream into a plurality of intermediate data streams (figure 3, col. 4 lines 10 - 64; where the connection proceeding element r(t) and preceding elements 301 and 302 is being interpreted as a demultiplexer).

Regarding claim 14, Kim further discloses the processing subsystem is configured to decode each of the intermediate data streams using one of a set of spreading codes, wherein the set of spreading codes includes the at least two different spreading codes (figure 3, col. 4 lines 10- 64).

Regarding claim 16, Kim further the spreading codes are different-length spreading codes (figure 3, col. 4 lines 10-64; where it is well known in the art that different spreading factors means different code lengths).

Regarding claim 17, Kim further discloses the spreading codes are Walsh codes (figure 3, col. 4 lines 10-64).

Regarding claim 19, Kim further discloses the decoded data stream comprises a stream of symbols (figure 3, col. 4 lines 10-64)

Regarding claims 23-28, 30, 34-36, 38-39, and 41, the steps claimed as method is nothing more than restating the function of the specific components of the apparatus as claims 1-6, 8, 12-14, 16-17, 19 above and therefore, it is rejected as in considering the aforementioned rejection for the apparatus claims 1-6, 8, 12-14, 16-17, 19, respectively.

Claims 45 and 46 are similar to claim 34. Therefore, claims 45-46 are rejected under a similar rationale.

Claims 47, 49 are similar to claim 1. Therefore, claims 47, 49 are rejected under a similar rationale.

Claims 48, 50 are similar to claim 12. Therefore, claims 48, 50 are rejected under a similar rationale.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

5. Claims 1-10, 23-32, 47, and 49 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wiberg et al. (US 2002/0172264) in view of Felgentreff (US2002/0131522) and Kwon et al (US. 2008/0043683).

Regarding claim 1, Wiberg discloses a transmitter operable to communicate with a receiver via a wireless communication channel, wherein the transmitter comprises: a processing subsystem (figure 2); and a transmitter subsystem coupled to the processing subsystem (figure 2); wherein the processing subsystem is configured to cover different portions of an initial data stream comprising an I/Q pair of modulated symbols to be transmitted on a first wireless communication channel with at least two different spreading codes (figure 2, paragraph 25); and wherein the transmitter subsystem is configured to transmit a resulting final data stream on a first wireless communication channel (figure 2, paragraph 25). Weberg et al fails to disclose that each spreading code covers each I/Q pairs.

Felgentreff discloses spreading code covering each I/Q pairs as shown in Figure 3 comprising a first I/Q modulator 35 and a second I/Q modulator 36 ([0050]). It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to utilize the dual I/Q modulators as taught by Felgentreff into the teachings of Weberg et al for modulating data signals. The motivation would compensate the pre-distortion signal as illustrated by Felgentreffb see [0048].

Wiberg et al and Felgentreff fail to disclose each portion of being a different quantity of modulated symbols.

Kwon et al disclose each portion of being a different quantity of modulated symbols (as shown in Figure 1. Kwon et al illustrates that Walsh cover section 103 uses a Walsh code "111" When the subpacket length is 2 slots, the Walsh cover section 103 uses a Walsh code `1-1 1-1` in Walsh covering the modulated symols from the QPSK modulator 102. When the subpacket length is 4 slots, the Walsh cover section 103 uses a Walsh code `1 1-1-1`. When the subpacket length is 8 slots, the Walsh cover section 103 uses a Walsh code `1-1-1 1`. Table 1 shows only one kind of possible mappings between the subpacket lengths and the Walsh code. There are other possible mappings between the subpacket lengths and the Walsh code. Therefore, it is clear that the portion of an initial data stream is a different quantity of modulated symbols). It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modulate the portions of the initial data stream with a different quality of modulated symbols as taught by Kwon et al into the teachings of Wiberg and Felgentreff. The motivation would enable to transmit data with a high-speed packet transmission.

Claims 47, 49 are similar to claim 1. Therefore, claims 47, 49 are rejected under a similar rationale.

Regarding claim 2, Wiberg further discloses the processing subsystem comprises a demultiplexer configured to demultiplex the initial data stream into a plurality of intermediate data streams (figure 2, paragraph 25; where element 215 is being interpreted as a demultiplexer).

Regarding claim 3, Wiberg further discloses the processing subsystem is configured to cover each of the intermediate data streams with oneof a set of spreading codes, wherein the set of spreading codes includes the at least two different spreading codes (figure 2, paragraph 25).

Regarding claim 4, Wiberg further discloses the processing subsystem is configured to multiplex the intermediate data streams into the final data stream (figure 2, paragraph 25; where the adder is being interpreted as multiplex).

Regarding claim 5, Wiberg further discloses the spreading codes are different-length spreading codes (figure 2, paragraph 25; where it is well known in the art that different spreading factors means different code lengths).

Regarding claim 6, Wiberg further discloses the spreading codes are Walsh codes (figure 2, paragraphs 25, 41, 44).

Regarding claim 7, Wiberg further discloses the spreading codes comprise +- and ++-- codes (figures 2, 3, paragraphs 25, 26).

Regarding claim 8, Wiberg further discloses the initial data stream comprises a stream of symbols (figures 2, 3, paragraphs 19, 25, 33, 45).

Regarding claims 9 and 10, Wiberg further discloses the transmitter comprises a component of a base station / mobile station operable in a wireless communication system (figure 1, paragraph 24).

Regarding claims 23-32, the steps claimed as method is nothing more than restating the function of the specific components of the apparatus as claims 1-10 above and therefore, it is rejected as in considering the aforementioned rejection for the apparatus claims 1-10, respectively.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

6. Claims 1-6, 8-10, 23-28, and 30-32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Proctor, Jr. et al. (US 2003/0035466) in view of Kwon et al (US. 2008/0043683).

Regarding claim 1, Proctor discloses a transmitter operable to communicate with a receiver via a wireless communication channel, wherein the transmitter comprises: a processing subsystem (figures 1-4); and a transmitter subsystem coupled to the processing subsystem (figures 1-4); wherein the processing subsystem is configured to cover different portions of an initial data stream comprising an I/Q pair of modulated symbols to be transmitted on a first wireless communication channel with at least two different spreading codes (figures 1-4, paragraphs 56-63); and wherein the transmitter subsystem is configured to transmit a resulting final data stream on a first wireless communication channel (figures 1-4, paragraphs 56-63).

Proctor fails to disclose each portion of being a different quantity of modulated symbols.

Kwon et al disclose each portion of being a different quantity of modulated symbols (as shown in Figure 1. Kwon et al illustrates that Walsh cover section 103

uses a Walsh code “111” When the subpacket length is 2 slots, the Walsh cover section 103 uses a Walsh code `1-1 1-1` in Walsh covering the modulated symols from the QPSK modulator 102. When the subpacket length is 4 slots, the Walsh cover section 103 uses a Walsh code `1 1-1-1`. When the subpacket length is 8 slots, the Walsh cover section 103 uses a Walsh code `1-1-1 1`. Table 1 shows only one kind of possible mappings between the subpacket lengths and the Walsh code. There are other possible mappings between the subpacket lengths and the Walsh code. Therefore, it is clear that the portion of an initial data stream is a different quantity of modulated symbols). It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modulate the portions of the initial data stream with a different quality of modulated symbols as taught by Kwon et al into the teachings of Proctor. The motivation would enable to transmit data with a high-speed packet transmission.

Regarding claim 2, Proctor further discloses the processing subsystem comprises a demultiplexer configured to demultiplex the initial data stream into a plurality of intermediate data streams (figure 4).

Regarding claim 3, Proctor further discloses the processing subsystem is configured to cover each of the intermediate data streams with one of a set of spreading codes, wherein the set of Spreading codes includes the at least two different spreading codes (figures 1-4, paragraphs 56-63).

Regarding claim 4, Proctor further discloses the processing subsystem is configured to multiplex the intermediate data streams into the final data stream (figure 4; where the element proceeding elements 508 is being interpreted as multiplex).

Regarding claim 5, Proctor further discloses the spreading codes are different-length spreading codes (figures 1-4, paragraphs 56-63).

Regarding claim 6, Proctor further discloses the spreading codes are Walsh codes (figures 1-4, paragraphs 56-63).

Regarding claim 8, Proctor further discloses the initial data stream comprises a stream of symbols (paragraphs 10, 54).

Regarding claims 9 and 10, Proctor further discloses the transmitter comprises a component of a base station / mobile station operable in a wireless communication system (figure 1, paragraph 29).

Regarding claims 23-28 and 30-32, the steps claimed as method is nothing more than restating the function of the specific components of the apparatus as claims 1-6 and 8-10 above and therefore, it is rejected as in considering the aforementioned rejection for the apparatus claims 1-6 and 8-10, respectively.

Conclusion

7. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Ann et al (US 2003/0210735) disclose system and method for demodulating multiple Walsh codes using a chip combiner.

Pietila et al (US 2003/0118086) disclose method for performing reacquisition in a positioning receiver, and an electronic device.

8. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

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